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INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

John B. Durand Before the Bates County Horticultural Society.

Ladies and gentlemen, members and friends of the Bates County Horticultural Society:

We have gathered here under the green canopy of these delightful trees at this beautiful farm, with all its elegant surroundings, the pleasant home of our esteemed and valued friend and experienced Horticulturist E. P. Henry, on this beautiful May morning for the purpose of holding our monthly meeting and having a grand good time, and if we do not, I assure you, judging from the appearance of everything around us, it will not be the fault of our worthy host. And I am before you to deliver an inaugural address to this society, on the subject of Horticulture, a grand theme and needs an abler advocate.

I assure you that I feel extremely thankful for the distinguished honor that has been conferred upon me by this enlightened body of citizens in electing me to the first Presidency of their noble undertaking. And I fear friends that you will be disappointed in my ability for performing the important duties devolving upon the presiding officer of this grand society which has been organized for such great and noble purposes.

But in assuming the responsibilities that devolve upon me as such officer, I assure you, that I fully realize the situation, and that I will, with your help, leave nothing undone that is in my power to do, to make it a complete success, and to make this society which has been organized in this, one of the best counties in this grand old State of Missouri, which ranks as one of the first states in the great valley of the Mississippi, the garden spot of the world, one of the best Societies in the whole valley. And with your united efforts, fellow members, and of the many more that will join us in the great work we will surely succeed.

HORTICULTURE AS AN ART — embraces all those finer products which being essential to the best development of men and women, makes a grand agriculture, a fruitful commerce and a noble civilization, the produce of the garden, the fruit of the orchard, the beautiful growths of the forest and the grateful shade of the trees are all indispensable to the pleasure and happiness of the men who grow the crops that feed and clothe the world. It is the oldest and first calling of man. Commenced in Paradise, it stimulates man a lost Paradise to regain. It is calculated to afford the intellect and abundant theme to interest a long life and make it a perpetual gladness, joy and blessedness. It affords an unceasing stream of sweet fragrance and gratifies the refined tastes for delicious fruits. There is no human science that is more ample in its range or more attractive in its multiplied allurements. It unfolds to our view wide worlds of living beauty.

Notwithstanding all this, it is one of the most neglected of all the industries, and while we live in the most fruitful part of the country and the proceeds from our corn, wheat and stock amount to almost millions of dollars annually, our Horticultural products amount to almost nothing. Why is this so, surely not because we cannot succeed in their cultivation for the success of the few enterprising individuals who have taken the lead, not only shows that it is possible to succeed, but almost certain where the proper amount of judgment and forethought is exercised. It must then be the lack of experience and the interest taken in the matter. This then is to be the noble work of this young society, to enliven the dormant faculties, excite a

lively interest and to gain information and practiced experience from one another.

We are just in the A. B. C's of the great book of Horticulture. The strawberry which is one of the earliest and most wholesome fruit and so easily grown that the poorest owner of only a few feet of ground may have them in abundance, and still they are such a rarity here, that only a few of us get more than a taste during the season. On for "A dish of ripe strawberries, smothered in cream."

The raspberry coming next in season, just at the beginning of summer, when there is comparatively little else, is one of the most invaluable of fruits. But how many of our best-to-do farmers could furnish you with a dish of the nice delicious home grown Mammoth Cluster or Gregg raspberries.

The blackberry which follows next in season is not such a rarity for the wild ones grow so abundantly and of such good quality as to almost equal the best cultivated ones. But then the advantage of having them in your own garden where you can get them when you wish, without running off to the woods, is a convenience that can scarcely be realized until tried.

That lucious fruit, the grape, the history of which, is almost as old as that of man, is still absent from many a thrifty farm. The currant which occupies such a prominent position in most of our sister states in the north, does not seem to thrive here even with our most experienced and skillful cultivators.

The blight on the pear tree renders the success in the cultivation of that delicious fruit very uncertain.

The ravages of the carquo have seriously checked the cultivation of the plum. But this, I believe, with the proper knowledge and care, can be overcome.

Apples, peaches and cherries are found on most farms in sufficient quantities for home use and a little to spare. While a few are making apple growing for market a specialty which bids fair to crown their efforts with success.

And now comes the grandest of all. The flower shrubs and ornamental trees. These though they may pay the least in actual dollars and cents are in all probability, after everything is taken into consideration the best investment of all. There is an innate desire in the breast of every human being for the beautiful. The educating influence of pleasant surroundings upon the minds of the young cannot be overestimated, children reared in rural homes take their great object lessons from the great book of nature, and the love of the beautiful is strengthened by association till it becomes a safeguard from evil. Our home is what we make it—not merely a place in which we eat, drink and sleep; a place in which we stop no longer than can possibly be avoided—but the spot to which we will always return with joy, and around which our tenderest memories should ever cling. That home in which there is no room for beauty, no time for the display of taste in adorning the house or yard, is no true home.

Beautifulizing our homes does not necessarily call for a lavish outlay of money, but for the judicious exercise of whatever amount of taste we may have. The outward surroundings of our homes, and of any people, are the truest indications of the prosperity of the country and of the intelligence of its inhabitants. Plant "Flowers bright, beautiful flowers. They are linked with life's sweetest and happiest hours."

They comfort us when lonely and cheer us when sad. There is a lesson in each flower. A story in each grove and bowen. On every herb on which you tread. Are written words which rightly read, Will lead you from earth's fragrant sod.

To hope and holiness and God. Our friend Mrs. E. P. Henry will soon entertain us with a paper on flowers, which judging from the skill displayed in the surrounding adornments of this beautiful home, will be very highly entertaining and beneficial.

We expect soon to have various papers upon all the topics I have

mentioned, there is a vast field before us for cultivation.

The subject of an annual exhibition of fruits, flowers and garden products by this society, I think is worthy of consideration, I believe it can be made very valuable and interesting, of its special benefit to the professional Horticulturist you no doubt are all assured and it also will stimulate others to come into the field. I commend this subject to your thoughtful consideration, also the exhibit to be made at New Orleans next winter for some of the liberal premiums offered by the Mississippi Valley Horticultural Society. I am satisfied that if we make the proper effort we will not come away empty handed and will also let the people from other parts of the world know that there is a Bates county.

MARKETING OF FRUIT.

The railroad companies are keeping up with the wants of the Horticulturist in the matter of shipments. I see now on the road regular fruit cars, specially adapted for the safe and rapid transit of fruit to market, which is a great benefit to fruit growers, and now let us put forth all our energy and not cease in the grand and noble work until we see a taste for Horticulture become universal in town and hamlet and every cottage and every palace in the land shall have its flower garden, fruit garden and something of the shelter of ornamental trees and every home in this magnificent county sweetened and beautified by its blossoming and fruitful presence, until not only

"The guests in prouder homes shall see Heaped with the orange and the grape, As far as they in tint and shape, The fruit of the apple tree."

But the table of every cottage in the land shall be daily filled with an abundance of refreshing fruits and enriching flowers. Let us go onward and upward, until we have made this society something that our country will be proud of and they who come after us will say that we have not lived in vain.

SOUTHWEST MIDGET.

Brief History of a Little Woman Who Attracted Attention at our Depot

From the Nevada Mail.

Considerable attention was attracted this morning at our depot by a little woman who came in on the Kansas City Express. She alighted from the train and walked, unattended, up the platform to the ladies' waiting-room, and as she passed along, the eyes of all turned toward her. Her small stature and mature, lady-like appearance, made her a real object of interest, and seeing this a Mail reporter hastened to form her acquaintance and obtain an outline of her history.

"Are there any courtesies I can show you?" asked the Mail man.

"No thank you," said the little lady, a pleasant smile passing over her face at the time.

With this the reporter called the attention of the little lady to the interest excited in the surrounding crowd by her small stature, and asked that she give him a brief outline of her history for publication.

"Certainly, with pleasure. My name is Miss Lou Wasson. I was born at Carlisle, Kentucky, in 1857, where I lived until the fall of 1880, when we moved to Butler, Mo., where I now live with my mother—my father being dead. My height is three feet, nine inches, and my weight about 74 pounds. My small stature often subjects me to the stare of strangers, but while that is sometimes annoying it is not often embarrassing, as I have grown used to it. I am now on my way to Windsor, Henry county, Mo., to visit friends, and expect to take the first train for that point."

Miss Wasson has a large, well developed head, light hair, expressive blue eyes, and a large well-shaped mouth. She is an entertaining talker, and has the appearance of being a refined, cultured lady.

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FOR THE FARMER.

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Lamar Democrat: A short ride in the country, on Sunday, shows that blue grass and clover are further advanced than the common prairie grass. Our farmers and stockmen should pay especial attention to this matter.

ONE HUNDRED THORT-HORNS.

In consideration of the wonderfully firm tone that now pervades the short-horn market, especially where choice individuals are backed by equally choice pedigrees, the announcement by Mr. W. T. Hearne, in this paper that he will disperse at Lee's Summit, Mo., (24 mile east of Kansas City, on Mo. Pac. R.R.) on the 29th of this month, 100 head, mostly females, from his herd, should cause our friends to consider that this is not an opportunity they should take advantage of. Up to the time of removing his herd to Missouri, a few years since, Mr. Hearne had been a life-long Kentucky breeder and perhaps is as well posted and level headed as to what constitutes merit in beef-cattle as any man in the business. About twenty of the most approved families will be represented, and the cows will be in calf or have calves at foot by a superior sire, and the one he is using now is the three-year-old pure Bates bull, Baron Bell, 37543, a red, by 2d Oxford of Vinewood out of Baroness Bell, a daughter of the 2d Duke of Oueda 9926. His advertisement explains the careful arrangements Mr. Hearne has made as to trains and accommodations for those desiring to attend, and his catalogue will contain particulars in full. Our readers should interest and post themselves by securing one, and attend the sale if possible. Write him at Lee's Summit, Mo.

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OF

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Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that letters of administration upon the estate of John W. Cole, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Bates county probate court, in Bates county, Missouri, hearing date the 10th day of May, 1884. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred. NELSON COLE, Administrator.

St. Louis, Mo. July 27, 83.—In fitting a small casting in my office, I sprained my back, from which I suffered the most excruciating pains and could not rest in any position; after using several well known remedies without effect, Merrell's Penetrating Oil was recommended to me, and I tried it. One application relieved me in about five minutes, and in two days was entirely cured and have had no trouble since. It is a liniment of great value. JOHN J. FITZWILLIAM, 23-41 Health Com. City of St. Louis.

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